

# Office of Agriculture and Forestry

The Honorable Bettina Ring, Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry



The Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry is the voice of the first and third largest private industries in Virginia. These industries contribute over \$70 billion and \$21 billion, respectively, to the Virginia economy annually and employ more than a half million Virginians—more than 10 percent of all jobs in the Commonwealth. The Secretary oversees and provides policy guidance to three agencies—the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Virginia Department of Forestry, and the Virginia Racing Commission—and focuses on growing the domestic and international export markets for Virginia products; expanding domestic capacity to meet market demands; and incentivizing new, relocating, and expanding agricultural businesses in the Commonwealth—all with an eye toward ensuring sustainability and land stewardship.

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## Operating Summary for Office of Agriculture and Forestry (Dollars in Millions)

Funds	FY 2021 Approp	FY 2021 Changes	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 Approp	FY 2022 Changes	FY 2022 Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$121.3</b>	<b>(\$1.4)</b>	<b>\$119.9</b>	<b>\$119.7</b>	<b>\$0.5</b>	<b>\$120.2</b>
General	\$64.0	(\$1.4)	\$62.6	\$62.3	\$0.5	\$62.8
Special	\$21.5	\$0.0	\$21.5	\$21.5	\$0.0	\$21.5
Trust and Agency	\$7.4	\$0.0	\$7.4	\$7.4	\$0.0	\$7.4
Dedicated Special	\$11.0	\$0.0	\$11.0	\$11.0	\$0.0	\$11.0
Federal	\$17.4	\$0.0	\$17.4	\$17.4	\$0.0	\$17.4

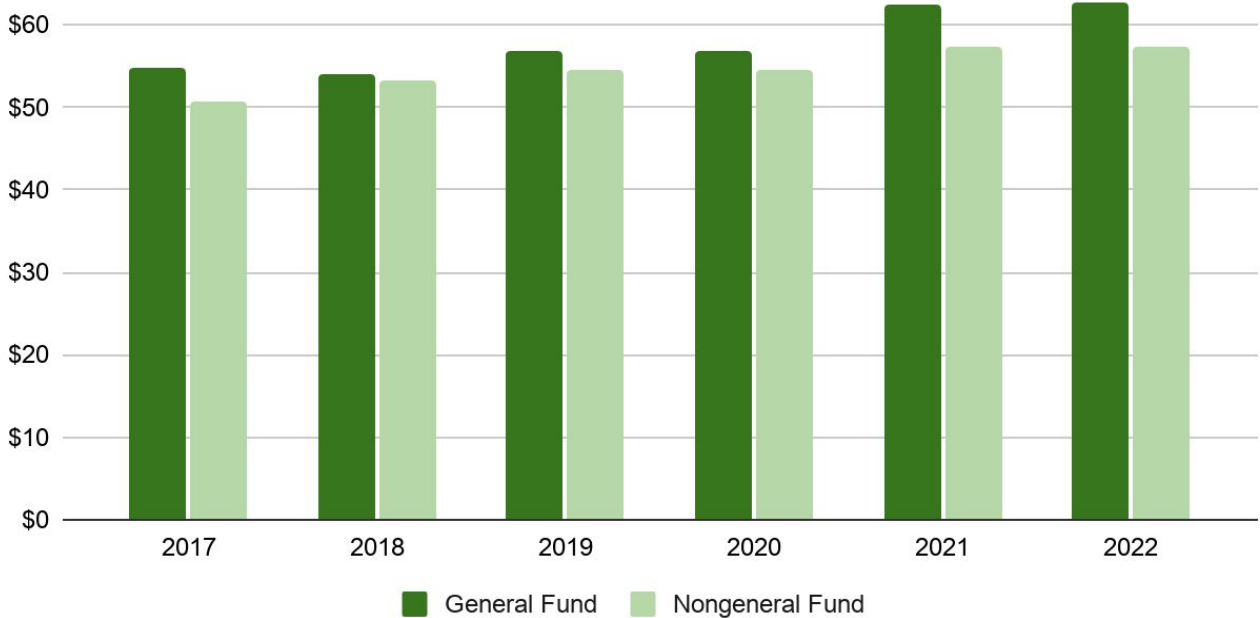
## Authorized Positions for Office of Agriculture and Forestry

Funds	FY 2021 Approp	FY 2021 Changes	FY 2021 Totals	FY 2022 Approp	FY 2022 Changes	FY 2022 Totals
<b>Total</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>5.00</b>	<b>855.00</b>
General Fund	512.59	0.00	512.59	512.59	4.99	517.58
Nongeneral Fund	337.41	0.00	337.41	337.41	0.01	337.42

Operating Budget History

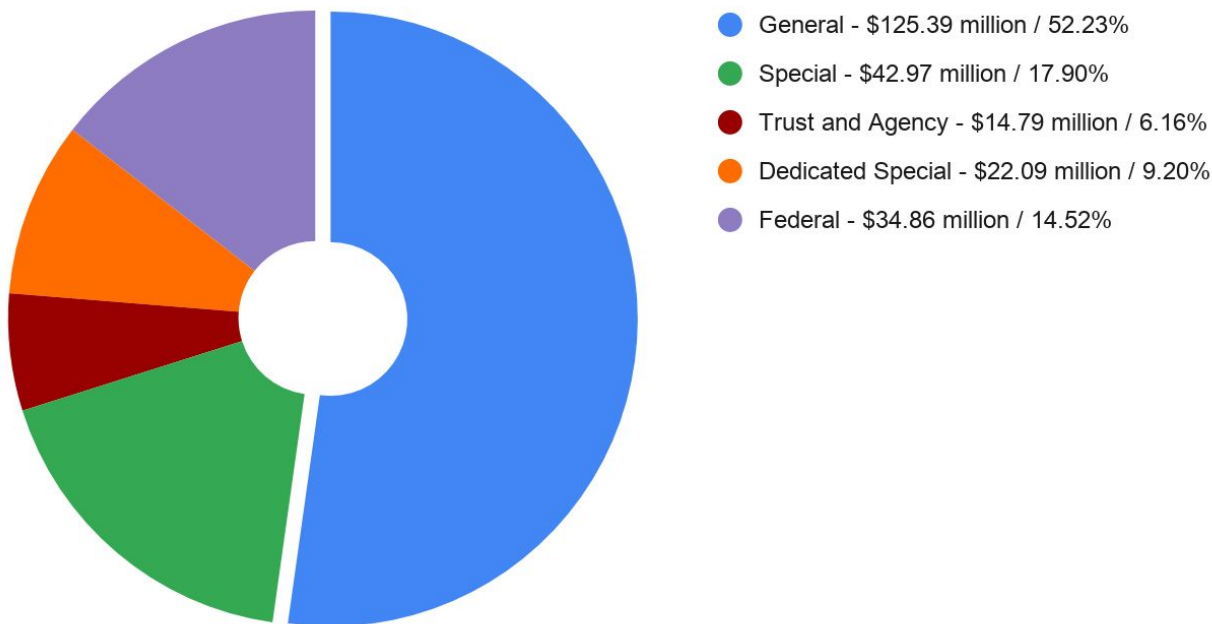
Office of Agriculture and Forestry

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2020-2022 Biennium Total Proposed Operating Budget

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	<b>FY 2021</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>		<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	
	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Nongeneral Fund</b>	<b>FY 2021 Total</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Nongeneral Fund</b>	<b>FY 2022 Total</b>

### Operating Budget Summary

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#### Office of Agriculture and Forestry Grand Totals:

<b>Total Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$63,991,584</b>	<b>\$57,353,989</b>	<b>\$121,345,573</b>	<b>\$62,330,948</b>	<b>\$57,353,989</b>	<b>\$119,684,937</b>
<i>Total, Appropriation Changes</i>	<i>(\$1,440,376)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$1,440,376)</i>	<i>\$510,832</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$510,832</i>
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$62,551,208</b>	<b>\$57,353,989</b>	<b>\$119,905,197</b>	<b>\$62,841,780</b>	<b>\$57,353,989</b>	<b>\$120,195,769</b>

<b>Total Legislative Authorized Positions</b>	<b>512.59</b>	<b>337.41</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>512.59</b>	<b>337.41</b>	<b>850.00</b>
<i>Total, Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>0.01</i>	<i>5.00</i>
<b>Total Positions</b>	<b>512.59</b>	<b>337.41</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>517.58</b>	<b>337.42</b>	<b>855.00</b>

#### Office of Agriculture and Forestry Agency Details:

##### [Secretary of Agriculture and Forestry](#)

<b>Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>
<b>Total, Appropriation Changes</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total Agency Appropriation</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$518,381</b>

##### Position Level:

<b>Legislative Authorized Positions</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>Agency Total Positions</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3.00</b>

##### [Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services](#)

<b>Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$42,378,884</b>	<b>\$38,240,917</b>	<b>\$80,619,801</b>	<b>\$40,394,656</b>	<b>\$38,240,917</b>	<b>\$78,635,573</b>
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##### Introduced Budget Technical Changes

<i>Realign appropriation and position allocation to accurate program areas</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
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##### Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes

<i>Enhance food safety and economic growth in the commonwealth</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$276,636</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$276,636</i>
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	<b>FY 2021 General Fund</b>	<b>FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund</b>	<b>FY 2021 Total</b>	<b>FY 2022 General Fund</b>	<b>FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund</b>	<b>FY 2022 Total</b>
<i>Establish the Virginia Agriculture Food Assistance Program</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000
<i>Fulfill Virginia's phase III watershed implementation plan</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$245,698	\$0	\$245,698
<i>Move reductions to agency budget</i>	(\$757,222)	\$0	(\$757,222)	(\$441,722)	\$0	(\$441,722)
<i>Reduce deposit to the Wine Promotion Fund</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$769,837)	\$0	(\$769,837)
<b>Total, Appropriation Changes</b>	<b>(\$757,222)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$757,222)</b>	<b>(\$89,225)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$89,225)</b>
<b>Total Agency Appropriation</b>	<b>\$41,621,662</b>	<b>\$38,240,917</b>	<b>\$79,862,579</b>	<b>\$40,305,431</b>	<b>\$38,240,917</b>	<b>\$78,546,348</b>
<b>Position Level:</b>						
<b>Legislative Authorized Positions</b>	<b>344.00</b>	<b>214.00</b>	<b>558.00</b>	<b>344.00</b>	<b>214.00</b>	<b>558.00</b>
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>0.01</i>	<i>5.00</i>
<b>Agency Total Positions</b>	<b>344.00</b>	<b>214.00</b>	<b>558.00</b>	<b>348.99</b>	<b>214.01</b>	<b>563.00</b>
<b>Department of Forestry</b>						
<b>Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$21,094,319</b>	<b>\$15,413,742</b>	<b>\$36,508,061</b>	<b>\$21,417,911</b>	<b>\$15,413,742</b>	<b>\$36,831,653</b>
<b>Introduced Budget Technical Changes</b>						
<i>Realign appropriation to accurate program areas</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes</b>						
<i>Develop hardwood forest habitat program</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$521,842	\$0	\$521,842
<i>Develop watershed improvement program</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$478,815	\$0	\$478,815
<i>Establish a multi-agency incident management team</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$316,146	\$0	\$316,146
<i>Increase tree seedling nursery capacity</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$290,000	\$0	\$290,000
<i>Move reductions to agency budget</i>	(\$683,154)	\$0	(\$683,154)	(\$1,006,746)	\$0	(\$1,006,746)
<b>Total, Appropriation Changes</b>	<b>(\$683,154)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$683,154)</b>	<b>\$600,057</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$600,057</b>
<b>Total Agency Appropriation</b>	<b>\$20,411,165</b>	<b>\$15,413,742</b>	<b>\$35,824,907</b>	<b>\$22,017,968</b>	<b>\$15,413,742</b>	<b>\$37,431,710</b>
<b>Position Level:</b>						
<b>Legislative Authorized Positions</b>	<b>165.59</b>	<b>113.41</b>	<b>279.00</b>	<b>165.59</b>	<b>113.41</b>	<b>279.00</b>
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>Agency Total Positions</b>	<b>165.59</b>	<b>113.41</b>	<b>279.00</b>	<b>165.59</b>	<b>113.41</b>	<b>279.00</b>

	<i>FY 2021 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Total</i>	<i>FY 2022 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Total</i>
<b><u>Agricultural Council</u></b>						
Legislative Appropriation	\$0	\$490,675	\$490,675	\$0	\$490,675	\$490,675
<i>Total, Appropriation Changes</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
<b>Total Agency Appropriation</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$490,675</b>	<b>\$490,675</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$490,675</b>	<b>\$490,675</b>
<b>Position Level:</b>						
Legislative Authorized Positions	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>Agency Total Positions</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b><u>Virginia Racing Commission</u></b>						
Legislative Appropriation	\$0	\$3,208,655	\$3,208,655	\$0	\$3,208,655	\$3,208,655
<i>Total, Appropriation Changes</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
<b>Total Agency Appropriation</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,208,655</b>	<b>\$3,208,655</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,208,655</b>	<b>\$3,208,655</b>
<b>Position Level:</b>						
Legislative Authorized Positions	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>Agency Total Positions</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>10.00</b>

## Capital Outlay for the 2020-2022 Biennium

General Fund	Nongeneral Fund	Bond Financing	Bond Type(s)	Total Funding
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## Capital Budget Summary

For more agency details, click the links below to open the agency budget document page.

**Agriculture and Forestry Capital  
Outlay Totals:**

<b>Total Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,110,191</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,110,191</b>
<i>Total, Appropriation Changes</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$6,725,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$6,725,000</i>
<b>Total Capital Outlay Appropriation</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,835,191</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,835,191</b>

**Agriculture and Forestry Capital  
Outlay By Agency:**

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<b>Legislative Appropriation</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,110,191</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,110,191</b>
<b>Introduced Budget Changes</b>				
<i>Acquire additional forest land in Charlotte County</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$6,725,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$6,725,000</i>
<b>Department of Forestry Capital Outlay Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,835,191</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$11,835,191</b>